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Sir:

RESPONSE TO JULY 2, 2003 OFFICE ACTION  
AND PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This is a Response to the July 2, 2003 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 2, 2003 Office Action was originally due on October 2, 2003. Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) for a three-month extension of time. The required small entity fee for a three-month extension of time is \$475.00 and a check for this amount is enclosed herewith. As a result, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is January 2, 2004. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed.

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.